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For Information

THE LABOUR FORCE, AUSTRALIA, PRELIMINARY (Catalogue No. 6202.0) DATA ON FLOPPY DISK

Preliminary labour force estimates will be available monthly on floppy disk — commencing with estimates for February 1988, scheduled for release on 10 March 1988.

The floppy disks will contain the data published in *The Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary* (6202.0), but extended to provide 15 months data for each statistical item published in 6202.0.

The disks are IBM PC/DOS compatible, 5¼" double-sided double-density. All data and text files are in standard delimited ASCII format.

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Labour force data on floppy disk will be subject to the same embargo (11.30 a.m. on publication day) which applies to the preliminary publication (6202.0) and the release of labour force estimates on AUSSTATS, the ABS on-line computer dissemination service.

Labour force data on floppy disk will be available monthly (Disk 01) and as annual supplements (Disk 02 and Disk 03). Disks may be purchased singly or by annual subscription.

Disk 01 is issued monthly. It contains 24 data files, each with 15 months data for the *unadjusted, seasonally adjusted and trend (smoothed seasonally adjusted) series* for Australia, States and Territories published in 6202.0. The disk contains 24 matching series identifier files showing series identifiers and their full text descriptions.

Disk 02 is issued annually (in March) and contains 70 data files for *adjusted and trend series*, in the same order and format as the regular issue, extending from February 1978 to 15 months prior to February of the current year. Series identifier files are not included on this disk: the series id files on Disk 01 should be used. This disk is prepared following the annual re-analysis of seasonal factors.

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The layout of data on the disks is necessarily different to that of the publication 6202.0. Full details are given in the ABS publication *The Labour Force, Australia: Preliminary Data On Floppy Disk — Technical Details* (6271.0).

Purchases may be by an annual subscription or single disks, using the attached form. The annual subscription includes 12 monthly issues of data on floppy disk (Disk 01), the February annual supplement (Disks 02 and 03), the publication *The Labour Force, Australia: Preliminary Data On Floppy Disk — Technical Details* (6271.0) and 12 monthly issues of *The Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary* (6202.0).

For further technical information about labour force data on floppy disk, contact Don Clark on (062) 52 6683.

For further information about purchases of disks contact:
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AUSSTATS time series data as published in *The Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary* (6202.0) will also be available on floppy disk, beginning with the February 1988 issue. The expected publication date is 10 March 1988. Data will be supplied as standard delimited ASCII files on IBM PC/DOS compatible 5¼" double-sided double-density disks. Further details are given on Page 1 and in more detail in *The Labour Force, Australia: Preliminary Data on Floppy Disk — Technical Details* (6271.0)

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